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### **The Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund protects another 500 acres in Livingston County** *Livingston County Fiscal Court now manages nearly 2,500 acres of habitat*

**Frankfort, Ky.** (July 12, 2012) –The Livingston County Wildlife Management Area has just grown by 532 acres, thanks to funding provided to the Livingston County Fiscal Court by the Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund (KHLCF).

That brings the total amount of land protected by the KHLCF in the area to 2,439 acres. The Ohio River site is operated by the fiscal court under a conservation easement with the KHLCF that protects habitat but allows hiking, environmental education, habitat restoration, and hunting.

“Livingston County is very excited to add the Perkins tracts to our natural area,” said Livingston Judge-Executive Chris Lasher. “The tracts are contiguous to our Newman’s Bluff Tract and together they make a wonderful natural area for all to enjoy. We appreciate the confidence the Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund Board has shown in Livingston County and we are humbled to be able to participate in preserving this wonderful piece of Kentucky.”

An advisory board that includes biologists from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission, and the Nature Conservancy assists with the management of the property.

“Livingston County WMA is one of Kentucky’s best examples of a partnership dedicated to conserving important habitat while providing public access. The

area has everything, from rare species to beautiful scenery,” said KHLFCF biologist Zeb Weese.

The KHLFCF is funded in part by the sale of “Nature’s Finest” license plates. For more information, visit the Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund website at <http://heritageland.ky.gov> or call 502-573-3080.

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